1998 SOYBEAN CHEMICAL USAGE

Nitrogen was applied to 17% of the total 1998 soybean acreage in the 16 states surveyed. Eighteen percent of Minnesota soybean acres were treated with nitrogen. Growers in the 16 states applied an average of 1.1 treatments per acre and used an average of 20 pounds per treatment. In the states surveyed, 24% of the soybean acreage received phosphate fertilizer. Potash fertilizer was applied to 27% of the soybean acreage.

Herbicides were applied to 95% of the total soybean acreage in the 16 states surveyed. Glyphosate was applied to 46% of the acreage, with Pendimethalin and Imazethapyr applied to 18% and 17% of the acreage, respectively. Growers in the surveyed states applied insecticide to only 2 percent of the total soybean acres planted. With the exception of insecticide applications in Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and North Carolina, there were too few reports to publish individual state data for the insecticides. Growers reported few fungicide or other chemical applications.

SOYBEAN: ACREAGE, PERCENT RECEIVING CHEMICALS, NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS, RATI APPLICATION, SELECTED STATES, 1998

		Ni trogen			Phosphate			Potash			Herbi ci de	Insecti ci de
State	Area Planted	Area Appl i ed		Rate per Appli-			Rate per Appli-			Rate per Appli-	Area Appl i ed	Area Appl i ed
	1,000 <u>Acres</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	Percent	<u>Number</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	Percent	<u>Number</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Percent</u>
IA 2/	10, 500	10	1.1	18	13	1.0	47	14	1.0	52	100	
MN 2/	6, 900	18	1. 1	21	17	1.0	33	9	1.0	56	97	
IL 2/	10, 700	7	1.0	23	12	1.0	60	24	1.0	124	95	
IN 2/	5,700	15	1.6	18	26	1.1	42	51	1.1	82	98	
TOTAL 3/	65, 745	17	1.1	20	24	1.0	47	27	1.0	78	95	2

^{1/} Refers to acres receiving one or more applications of a specific chemical.

SOYBEANS: FREQUENCY AND EXTENT OF CHEMICAL USAGE BY ACTIVE INGREDIENT, MIN

Active	Area		Rate per	Rate	Total	
I ngredi ent	Applied 1/	Applications	Appl i cati on	per year	Appl i ed	
	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	1,000 Pounds	
HERBICIDES:						
Acifluorfen	4	1.0	0. 160	0. 160	41	
Bentazon	4	1.0	0.730	0.730	221	
Clomazone	5	1.0	0.700	0.700	222	
Fenoxaprop	5	1.0	0.110	0.110	40	
Fl uazi fop	6	1.0	0.040	0.040	15	
Glyphosate	26	1.3	0.690	0.960	1, 686	
Imazamox	26	1.0	0.030	0.030	52	
Imazethapyr	27	1.0	0.030	0.030	49	
Pendi methal i n	22	1.0	1. 230	1.230	1, 889	
Sethoxydi m	3	1.0	0. 190	0. 190	36	
Thi fensul furon	8	1.0	0.002	0.002	1	
Trifluralin	22	1.0	0.880	0.880	1, 367	

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^{2/} Insufficient reports to publish data for insecticides.

^{3/} Refers to 16 major soybean states including: AR, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MS, MD, NE, NC, OH, SD, and TN.